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**Reference: Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site, Gary, Indiana
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial
Investigation/Feasibility Study,
CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004
August 2022 Monthly Progress Report #100**

Dear Ms. Werner:

In fulfillment of the requirements of Section IX, Paragraph 32, of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004, the Respondents are submitting the August 2022 monthly progress report.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me or Bennie Underwood at (865) 691-5052.

Sincerely,
de maximis, inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael H. Samples".

Michael H. Samples
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MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - #100

PROJECT NAME: Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site

PERIOD COVERED: August 2022

A. ACTIONS TAKEN TOWARD COMPLIANCE WITH THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- On August 2, 2022, representatives for the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) and the Settling Work Parties (SWPs) participated in a web-based meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to follow-up on comments and questions expressed by EPA during a prior July 7, 2022 call regarding the light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) delineation performed by the SWPs as part of the Remedial Investigation (RI). Following the meeting, and at EPA's request, the SWPs provided EPA with a copy of the slides used during the discussion as well as materials that were referenced (e.g., figures, test pit logs, decision tree, and historic EPA comments related to LNAPL). The transmittal was dated August 4, 2022.
- On August 30, 2022, another web-based meeting occurred between representatives for EPA, IDEM and the SWPs. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss EPA's correspondence, dated July 13, 2022, in which EPA proposed two approaches to be followed based on EPA designating a new Operable Unit (OU) for groundwater. During the meeting the SWPs confirmed the preferred option and presented an outline for its implementation. For further review, consideration, and possible feedback, in email correspondence dated August 31, 2022, the SWPs provided EPA with copies of slides that were utilized and discussed during the meeting.

B. SAMPLING AND TESTING ACTIONS AND RESULTS

- None necessary.

C/D. WORK PLANNED FOR NEXT TWO MONTHS AND SCHEDULE OF SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES / DELIVERABLES

- Receive feedback from EPA concerning the slides presented during the August 30, 2002 meeting (see above).
- In mid-September 2022, receive EPA comments on the 2019 FS, excluding groundwater aspects of the document which will be removed from the document when revised.

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E. CHANGES IN RI/FS WORK PLANS OR ACTIVITIES

- Continue discussions with USEPA and IDEM regarding bifurcation of groundwater as a new and separate OU.

F. ENCOUNTERED / ANTICIPATED DELAYS

- None.

G. COMMUNITY RELATIONS ACTIVITIES

- None requested.